Rec Center Report, March 5, 2013

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Facility Update:

In my 6+ years here at the Rec Center, I have never seen it busier than recent months. We averaged over 100 visits per day in February. It is often hard to find a nearby parking spot. While general use by members is typically high in winter, our efforts to bring programs and outside groups to the Rec Center has been very successful. Please see the Programs Update below for a list of the many and varied uses of this facility. We are striving to serve as a 'community center', adding non-recreational activities such as art and mah-jong.

The hot tub is complete and open to the public! For most people, the hot tub is a highly enjoyable part of their Rec Center visit. For some, it serves as an important tool to control arthritis, injuries and other ailments. We are grateful to the school for cooperating to get this part of the facility back on line. We are still waiting for the final bill. We advertised that funds raised by the Polar Plunge would help pay for hot tub expenses. The next project that needs to be addressed is a leak in the pool, located in a supply pipe. A rough estimate is \$5000-8000 and three days of down time to cut the deck, dig it out and replace it. We may do this as early as next week.

The Bayfield Winter Festival was a huge success. We had a record number of plungers (still counting, but well over 100) and near-record Run on Water participants (113). The event is bringing visitors from out of town (including a family from Florida this year). The Bayfield Electrathon Team and Senior Class plunged to raise money for their own organizations. Thanks to David Aslyn for being a plunge judge.

Programs update: The following were offered in February:

Aqua Fit Mah Jong

SilverSneakers Masters of Art class

Sea Scouts

Walleyball

First Steps to Fitness

Martial Arts

Little Kickers

Head Start play

Aqua Zumba Swim Team

Birthday Parties TAP After School program

Elementary School Swim Lessons Drop In Kayaking

FEBRUARY USE

TOTAL 2935 people, breakdown not available yet

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

TOTAL 650 people who were members on Feb. 28, 2013 311 member units